## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA TAMPA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

v.	Case No. 8:03-CR-77-T-30TBM
SAMI AMIN AL-ARIAN, et al.,	
Defendants.	

## MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE A MOTION FOR A JUDGMENT OF ACQUITTAL AND MEMORANDA IN SUPPORT THEREOF

COMES NOW, Dr. SAMI AMIN AL-ARIAN, by and through his undersigned counsel, and pursuant to Local Rule 3.01, requests this Honorable Court to extend the time permitted for filing a Motion for a Judgment of Acquittal to Monday, December 19, 2005. As grounds for said Motion, the following is alleged:

- 1. Pursuant to Fed. Rule Crim Proc. 29 ©(1), the defense must move for a judgment of acquittal or renew previous motion within 7 days after a guilty verdict or after the court discharges the jury. In this case no guilty verdicts were rendered; however, the jury was discharged on the date the verdicts were rendered on December 6, 2005. Therefore, this motion should be filed by December 15, 2005.
- 2. The opportunity to coordinate the preparation of this motion and its memorandum has been delayed because of other obligations and circumstances with counsel.

- 3. Defense counsel has been diligent; however, a few more days is required in order to complete the legal memoranda in support of these motions.
- 4. Because of the importance of the legal issues involved, counsel requests the additional time of 2 days to fully brief the relevant law.

WHEREFORE, the Accused requests this Honorable Court to extend the time for the filing of a Motion for a Judgment of Acquittal an additional 2 days to December 19, 2005.

Dated: December 14, 2005 Respectfully Submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2005, a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished, by CM/ECF, to Walter Furr, Assistant United States Attorney; Terry Zitek, Assistant United States Attorney; and to Kevin Beck, Assistant Federal Public Defender, M. Allison Guagliardo, Assistant Federal Public Defender, counsel for Hatim Fariz.

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